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Madrid, Sept. 21.

ON Saturday the 9th instant an Express arrived here from the Marquis de los Balbaces with advice, That on the 31 past the Marriage between our King and the Princess Maria Louisa de Bourbon was Solemnized at Fontainebleau; whereupon all the Grantees, Nobility, and principal Ministers, adorned with Jewels, made their Compliments to His Majesty. That Evening Luminaries were proclaimed by the publick Cryer throughout the Town, to be made the three succeeding nights, besides which, the first night some Fire-works were made before the King. On the 10th a Mascara, composed of the principal Nobility, was performed in the Palace yard, about Eight at night; it consisted of 100 persons very well mounted, all clad in Crimson Taffata, covered with Silver Lace, every one carrying a white wax Torch in his hand, and their Lackeys, which were very numerous, being in very rich Liveries. The Captains which lead the Mascara were the Constable of Castille, Mayordomo Mayor, and the Duke of Medina Celi, Chamberlain to His Majesty. These were preceded by about 40 Lackeys of their own in rich Liveries, with white plumes of Feathers on their hats, and wax Torches in their hands, and by many Trumpets and Kettledrums. After the Mascara was ended at the Palace, it passed to several principal places of the Town, whilst His Majesty was entertained with very exquisite Fire-works. On the 11th the Solemnity was ended with other different Fire-works, shown in three several figures before the Palace Gate. The one was an artificial Gyant of a vast bulk, upon a large Scaffold, about 6 yards high, in imitation of the Colossus of Rhodes, with a Ship under sail between his legs, a huge Globe in one hand, and the Sun in the other. The two other works were in the form of different Castles: The Gyant was first set on fire, and it lasted a quarter of an hour when it was quite consumed; several men, coming out of the two Castles, upon a long Stage reaching between them, began a furious Skirmish with Fire Instruments, until both works kindled, which lasted a considerable time, the whole entertainment ending with them, to the great satisfaction of the beholders. The Duke d' Orluna, who had been some days in Town incognito, after returning from his confinement, kissed the Kings hand on the 10th. Our last advices from Lisbon say, that the Marriage of that Infanta, with the Duke of Savoy, was published there on the 6th instant; That the Prince, Queen, and Infanta herself had received the Compliments of all the Nobility and Ministers thereupon, and that Te Deum was sung in the Royal Chappel; That on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights following, publick Luminaries were ordered to be made; all the Ships riding in Port adorning themselves with Lights, and their Guns, with those of the several Forts and Castles, being discharged every night. On Saturday night the French Envoy en-

tertained the Court with a boat of Fire-works on the water; That on Sunday in the Afternoon all the paid Regiments and the Trained Bands were drawn up before the Palace, for the formal besieging and storming a Fort that was raised on purpose; the Marquis de Fronteira being General, who came upon the place in a very rich attire with a number of attendants and fine lead horses. On the 11th at night the Comte de Torre, son to the said Marquis, entertained the Court with very fine Fire-works upon the River. We hear from Tangier, by the way of Cadiz, by Letters of the 3 instant, That the great Chest had by the care and pains of Mr. Shere Surveyor General of that work, been placed at the head of the Mole, which will add about 50 fowes to its length, and that they were working upon it night and day; That the Moors had quitted that Neighborhood, the Alcaide of Alcazar not being able to prevail with his men to make any assault upon the place, and on that occasion there arose a great Feude in the Army, and some reported the Alcaide was killed. Other Letters from Cadiz of the 10th advise, That Vice Admiral Herbert was then in that Port, and also Sir William Poole, homeward bound, with the Assistance in his Company. The Centurion and Nonsuch were likewise in that Bay, bound for Italy; That the last had destroyed a Turks Man of War of 36 Guns to the Eastward of Tetuan.

Copenhagen, Sept. 26. Yesterday the King parted from hence for Holstein, where its believed he will remain some time, and that if the City of Hamburg continue to refuse the Homage he requires of it, he will attack it with all his Force, which possibly may be the occasion of a new War. For the Duke of Zell, as Director of the Circle of the Lower Saxony, of which Hamburg is a Member, as well as other Princes, will doubtless concern himself in its defence. The Troops that are in Garrison in Landscreon and Ellenburg have Orders to embark for Holstein to joyn the Kings Army there.

Ellenor Sept. 29. This day several Danish Men of War passed by here, going for the Elbe.

Hamburg, Sept. 29. The King of Denmark is expected this night at Pinnenberg, two German miles from hence, where he hath caused a house to be furnished, and provisions to be made, as if he intended to stay there some time. We have an account that his Majesty has ordered 10 Men of War to come into this River, and in other Vessels are embarked 24 half Cannon, and other things proper for a Siege. A great number of Bakers are come into these parts from Copenhagen, and all those of the Country hereabouts are summoned into the Kings Quarters, to bake bread for the Army, and to that end very great quantities of Corn are provided. All this serves extremely to encrease our fears, and makes us employ our thoughts more seriously how to put our selves into a posture of defence. All hands are therefore employed in the